

UTAH BOARD OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

MEETING NOTES

Committee:	Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Committee
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Date:	Thursday March 18, 2010	Time:	10:00 – 11:30 am	Place:	State Capitol East Senate Building, Spruce Room
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Members Present	Narda Beas-Nordell, Pat Berckman, Shirlee Silversmith, Maria Garciaz, Judge Leslie D. Brown, Judge Larry E. Jones, Jerry Oler, Salvador Mendez, Debra Charleston, Holly Martak,
Members Excused	Russ Van Vleet, Judge Michael D. DiReda, Debbie Rocha, Kris Shaw, and Manuel Romero
Members Absent	Det. Trudy Cropper
Staff & Guest	Cuong Nguyen, Reg Garff, Elizabeth Wolfe, OJJDP Representative

Agenda Item 1:	Welcome/Introductions – Pat Berckman
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pat welcomed everyone and introduced Elizabeth Wolfe from OJJDP. Each member briefly introduced themselves and described their involvement with DMC. Elizabeth spoke briefly on her annual visit to Utah. She received an earlier briefing on Utah's DMC efforts. She commended Utah's efforts and said the Three Year Plan was well received by OJJDP. Pat asked for a review and approval of the minutes. Maria Garciaz motioned to approve the February 18, 2010 meeting minutes; Judge Leslie Brown seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 2:	2010 DMC Annual Plan – Maria Garciaz
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maria reviewed the 2010 DMC Plan outline, which included goals, objectives, steps, and outcomes measurement. The goals and objectives were revised as a result of the 2009 DMC Annual Retreat based on FY08 RRI. The discussion included the progress made, remaining challenges, and steps to move forward in 2010. The 2010 DMC Plan outline will be included in the Title II Formula Grants Program Update – DMC Portion. The review led to a discussion about the assessment strategy, which is the second phase of OJJDP's DMC Reduction Model. After presenting the DMC data to local leaders, they requested additional information. The Subcommittee recommends requesting a TA to help create an Assessment Plan for Utah to conduct further research in finding and explaining the contributing factors to DMC. Holly Martak motioned for the DMC Coordinator to submit a TA Request to OJJDP for Utah to create an Assessment Plan. Maria Garciaz seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Format and date for the TA will be discussed at a later meeting when the TA Request is approved.

Agenda Item 3:	OJJDP FY2010 Title II Formula Grants Program – DMC Portion – Cuong Nguyen
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cuong highlighted the OJJDP FY2010 Title II Formula Grants Program - DMC portion. This is an annual update to OJJDP. The required report follows the OJJDP DMC Reduction Model that includes five phases: identification, assessment/diagnoses, intervention, evaluation, and monitoring. The report included the 2009 achievements and challenges remaining for the DMC Subcommittee. Information used for the report was based on FY08 RRI data. The data also helped to create the 2010 DMC goals, objectives, steps, and outcomes measurement. The FY08 RRI and FY09 RRI (most recent data) data will be submitted with

	the update. Members can access the final report by contacting the DMC Coordinator.
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Agenda Item 4:	POST – Progress Report – Debbie Rocha
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debbie Rocha was excused for the meeting and Cuong provided an update on the progress of the Community Relations curriculum. Since the February update from CPPA to the Subcommittee, the Curriculum Working Group has met with CPPA and POST representatives to detail the input from the subcommittee. CPPA has updated Finding #1 of the report's language: "...inherently dangerous to teach..." to "...not the most effective way to teach." The update also included findings and recommendations from previous research done on youth focus groups, community leader's surveys, and law enforcement focus groups by the Working Group. It also added relevant research references as well as DMC statistics. The next step for the curriculum will be to create a training structure, outline, scenarios, and measurement tools. Cuong also reported that, in collaboration with the Council on Diversity Affairs, two DMC presentations were given to the Council of Governments (COG) -- a meeting of sixteen Salt Lake County and City mayors and their staff, as well as a presentation to the Salt Lake City Police Chief and his staff. Both events were well received by the audience. With COG, we offered resources and encouraged the leaders to speak to their chiefs about DMC and related issues; at the SLCPD we asked them to consider the importance of using the SLCO Juvenile Receiving Center as a resource for their officers. The Center is available 24/7 year round with free counseling service to youth and their families. We asked them to consider using the Community Relations Curriculum (when completed) to train their current and new law enforcement officers. Chief Burbank was open to the idea and will consider discussing their JRC usage policy. In addition, they were willing to be a second pilot site for the Community Relation curriculum. Cuong will follow up with Chief Burbank regarding their policy discussion and possible pilot site.

Agenda Item 5:	2010 DMC Working Group Progress Report – Holly Martak
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly Martak chaired the remainder of the meeting. Data Analysis Working Group – Cuong indicated that the FY09 RRI data has been collected and ready to be included in 2010 Update with OJJDP. However, the data will be submitted without a completed analysis. Jerry Oler reported that the Racial Data Entry in CARE will generate a quarterly report. He anticipated there will be a report shortly that can be updated at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 6:	Roundtable
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two conferences are available that DMC Subcommittee members can attend with registration fees paid for by the UBJJ Board. Interested individual can attend one of the two. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The 20th Annual Utah Gang Conference: April 8 & 9, 2010 at the South Towne Exposition Center. The 31st Annual Troubled Youth Conference: May 6 & 7, 2010 at the Cliff Lodge, Snowbird, Utah. Narda Beas-Nordell shared that budget cuts affected personnel at the DA's office. She has to take additional responsibilities. Shirlee Silversmith shared her current work on Tribal Youth drop-outs in schools.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday April 15, 2010, State Capitol, East Senate Building, Spruce Room